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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Dear Mr. Jensen:

This letter is a follow up to our phone conversation of April 22, 2005. I accidentally misspoke and misled you regarding Mr. Jordahl's cost estimate for the demolition of the facilities at our Vernal operations. There is no salvage value considered to offset the demolition costs as I had earlier suspected.

Mr. Jordahl and the company he represents, Tri Delta Iron & Metal, have done business with us in the past demolishing various structures and recycling scrap metal. He is very familiar with Simplot Phosphates' Vernal Operations and all its structures. When he came through on September 16th to inspect the structures the inspection didn't take long, due to his familiarity with the structures and I didn't ask what he was using for a unit cost per square foot. I assumed that he had a fairly low demolition cost estimate due to the offset in high salvage value.

I met in person with Mr. Jordahl this last Friday April 22, 2005 and received some clarification from him as to how he figured his bid and what was and was not included. After meeting with Mr. Jordahl I called to you answer you email questions and clarify the bid. If you have any additional questions Mr. Jordahl said he would be available to answer your questions. His cell number is (612) 750-4480. And of course I am always available to answer questions and help in the surety bond renewal.

Sincerely,

Environmental / Senior Mining Engineer

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